

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Bowline Timber Sale, App. No. 76437, and Forest Practice Application No. 280 72 47. Even-aged harvest of 3,248 MBF of timber from 46 acres. Proposal includes 830 feet of road construction, 3,168 feet of road reconstruction, and 830 feet of road abandonment.

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Section 25 of Township 37 North, Range 5 East, W.M. Section 1, Township 39 North, Range 5 East, W.M. Proposal is located five miles southeast of Acme, in Whatcom County, off of Highway 9, Saxon Road, and E-1000 forest road.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources.

There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from October 28, 2004 Comments must be submitted by November 12, 2004	
Responsible official: William J. Wallace	
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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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MITIGATED MEASURES

Bowline Timber Sale, App. No. 74728

Streams:

- * Timber will be felled away from a type 5 stream.
- * Pre-designated skid trails will have logs placed into the type 5 stream crossing to prevent channel degradation. Following operations, approaches to the crossings will be water-barred, and logs shall be removed from the crossing.

Slope Stability:

Harvest unit and new roads were located to avoid potentially unstable slopes.

Roads:

New roads were located to avoid potentially unstable slopes. All newly constructed roads will be abandoned following operations. Road construction, yarding, and timber hauling will not be allowed from November 1 through March 31 unless the operator formulates an adequate plan to prevent eroded material from entering surface waters.

Green tree retention and wildlife:

531 trees have been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. This represents 7% of the existing trees per acre greater than 12" dbh (which is 11 trees per acre). Legacy trees are clumped to protect a diversity of upland habitat features, including small wetlands, large woody debris, snags, and creeks.